MEMORANDUM DM - 05-07

TO: All Coal Mine Operators

FROM:

Frank A. Linkous, Chief

SUBJECT: 2006 Certification Examination Schedule

DATE: October 3, 2005

To assist those individuals planning to take coal mine certification examinations administered by the Virginia Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy (DMME), Division of Mines during 2006, a schedule of examination locations and dates is provided below. The schedule may also be viewed on DMME's website at www.dmme.virginia.gov.

Applicants are required to complete and submit the necessary forms and fees at least five working days prior to the examination date selected. Please notify the Division of Mines at least three working days prior to the scheduled examination if you are unable to attend. Failure to notify the Division will result in the forfeiture of the examination fee. Approximately 20 people will be scheduled for each examination session. If you apply by mail, please specify which examination date is desired. When you have been scheduled for an examination, your name will be assigned to a roster. Identification such as Driver's License or Employee I.D. Card must be presented on the examination date prior to taking the scheduled exam.

To register for a certification exam, to reschedule your exam date or for additional information, please contact the Division of Mines in Big Stone Gap at (276) 523-8149 or the Keen Mountain Field Office at (276) 498-4533.

DMME OFFICE BUILDING U.S. ROUTE 23 SOUTH (STATE ROUTE 387)

BIG STONE GAP, VA 24219

PHONE: 276-523-8149 8:00A.M. **JANUARY 6, 2006**

MARCH 3, 2006 MAY 12, 2006 **JULY 14, 2006 SEPTEMBER 15, 2006 NOVEMBER 3, 2006**

DMME - KEEN MOUNTAIN OFFICE **ROUTE 460 BYPASS KEEN MOUNTAIN, VA 24624** PHONE: 276-498-4533 8:00 A.M.

FEBRUARY 10, 2006 APRIL 7, 2006 JUNE 2, 2006 AUGUST 04, 2006 OCTOBER 6, 2006 DECEMBER 8, 2006